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Emigration.

Conveniences in ships for emigrants.

* 1542 Q.—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) what orders have been passed by the Government of India and this Government for improvements in the ships, engaged for carrying emigrants from and to the several ports in the Presidency, as to accommodation, kitchens, latrines, sanitation, medical treatment, etc., within the last six months; and

(b) what action is proposed to be taken in future to ensure always the necessities of life and comforts of emigrants in the ships?

A.—The hon. Member is referred to the answer given to question No. 1346.

Jails.

Mappilla colonization in the Andamans.

* 1543 Q.—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to the resolutions of the Khilafat Conference and of the All-India Muslim League, condemning the scheme of the Mappilla colonization in the Andamans;

(b) whether the Government have received the report of the recent Andamans Committee; and

(c) whether the Government have any idea of dropping the scheme, and if not, why not?

A.—(a) The Government have seen the reports in the newspapers.
(b) & (c) The hon. Member is referred to the answer to question No. 1314 given at the meeting of the 9th February 1926.

Local Boards and Municipal Councils.

Nominations to Trichinopoly District Board.

* 1544 Q.—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI : Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) how many out of the five members appointed to the Trichinopoly District Board are Bench Magistrates attached to the bench courts of Trichinopoly and Srirangam;

(b) in how many cases the communities to which the nominees belong, had already been represented—

(i) by appointed members and
(ii) by elected members;

(c) in how many cases the gentlemen recommended to be appointed had *direct* or *indirect interest* in subsisting contracts with the district board and

(d) who made the recommendations and under what circumstances the nominations were accepted notwithstanding the disabilities?